

March 19, 2010

Monty Knittel, President and CEO Walla Walla General Hospital 1025 South Second Avenue Post Office Box 1398 Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Dear Mr. Knittel:

On November 20, 2009, I sent you a request for additional information related to your October 20, 2009, Determination of Non-Reviewability request. On January 5, 2010, and February 18, 2010, I sent you reminders because I had not received a response to my November 20 letter. To date, I still do not have a response to my November 20 letter.

Based on the information provided in your October 20, 2009, Determination of Non-Reviewability request and without any additional information to consider, the Certificate of Need Program concludes that the project you describe in your October 20, 2009, request requires prior Certificate of Need review under the provisions of Washington Administrative Codes 246-310-020(1)(b) and 246-310-700.

Enclosed is a copy of the Certificate of Need rules (WAC 246-310), regulations (RCW 70.38), and a blank application form should you wish to pursue this project.

Please call me at (360) 236-2957 if you have any questions regarding this determination.

Sincerely,

Karen Nidermayer, Analyst Certificate of Need Program

Office of Certification and Technical Support

Enclosure

cc: Department of Health, Inspections and Investigations Office

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Department of Health, Construction Review Services